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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is one set (five sheets, eight figures) of corrected drawings for filing in the above-identified Patent application.

The Examiner objected to the drawings for reasons stated in the Office Action dated December 1, 2005. The enclosed new drawings correct these informalities.

Favorable consideration of the enclosed drawings is respectfully requested.

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